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1. On 20 January 1954, Fliegerhorst Quarnbeck (5401) quartered about 1,500 troops. Twenty dog kennels were built in the barracks yard. At 10:30 a.m., 18 trucks carrying about 300 men and each towing a gun of about 50 mm moved out of the installation. They returned at about 2:30 p.m. About 30 soldiers engaged in machine gun firing on the target range on Gerihofer Strasse while about 120 other soldiers fired with carbines and submachine guns in the Eselstall-Altenburg area. About 80 soldiers drill from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

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2. At 1:20, 2 and 2:30 p.m. on 2 February, one unit each of about 7 to 10 officers and 90 EM came from a practice march from the direction of Thale, Germfode and Quedlinburg.

3. On 24 February, about 120 soldiers organized into two groups were engaged in light-machine gun firing in the Eselstall area.

4. Only little training activity was noticed in Quedlinburg during the cold-weather period. About 600 EM and 100 officers fell in for roll call on Red Army Day. The guns of about 50 mm were lined up in front of a raised platform which was decorated by a flag.

Comment: The Fliegerhorst is still held as quartering the 597th Mts Rifle Div.

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